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John P. CARULLI <i>et al.</i>	)	Group Art Unit: 1636
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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment and Reply is in complete response to the Final Office Action mailed on June 26, 2002 (i.e., Paper No. 18). A petition requesting a one-month extension of time and the corresponding fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2) accompany this Amendment and Reply which is being filed on or before the now current due date of October 28, 2002. Applicants hereby provide the following amendments and remarks.

**AMENDMENTS**

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel non-elected claims 2-13, 24, and 25 without prejudice or disclaimer as to the subject matter contained therein.